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MEMORANDUM FOR: Comptroller

FROM: Chief, Legislation Division
Office of Legislative LiaisonSUBJECT: Draft Fiscal Year 1985 Intelligence
Authorization Bill

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1. We appreciate your comments concerning the draft Fiscal Year 1985 Intelligence Authorization Bill. We share many of your reservations about including titles 4 through 7 of this draft bill in any final submission which will be made to Congress. As you know, at this time no definitive decision has been made as to which, if any, of these titles will be included in the final draft which is transmitted to our Congressional committees.

2. At this point in the process, however, we believe that the advantages in obtaining Administration clearance for these proposals outweigh the risk that these initiatives may become inextricably wedded to the Authorization Bill. We are not committed to pursuing any of these initiatives simply by attempting to obtain Administration clearance for these proposals and will make no decision in this regard until interested components are provided a further opportunity to review what we propose to include in our final draft submission to Congress. We have confirmed with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) that initiatives which are approved by the Administration through this clearance process may be omitted from the final product submitted to Congress and that there is no resulting Agency obligation to pursue these proposals after clearance is obtained. This being the case, and given our clear commitment to reserve judgment on final inclusion of these initiatives until after OMB clearance and further review by interested Agency components is obtained, we intend to include the above titles in our submission to OMB.

3. If you have any further questions concerning this matter, do not hesitate to contact me on

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